

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 3720**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Walter W. Collins
Application No. : 09/680,697
Filed : October 6, 2000
For : FOLDING KNIFE WITH ACTUATABLE SAFETY LOCKING
MECHANISM

Examiner : Clark F. Dexter
Art Unit : 3724
Docket No. : 530055.413R1
Date : November 22, 2006

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated January 23, 2006, and further in response to the Notice of Appeal filed June 22, 2006, please extend the period of time for response three (3) months, to expire on November 22, 2006. Applicant herewith submits payment of the requisite fee for the three (3) month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination in accordance with 37 CFR 1.114. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.